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**MEMORANDUM**

To: All MA Ambulance Services  
EMCAB Members  
From: Abdullah Rehayem, Acting Director  
Mass. Dept. of Public Health/Office of Emergency Medical Services  
Re: Implementation of Statewide Trauma Triage Criteria  
Date: January 23, 2006

As the Department moves forward with implementation of trauma center designation, it is also putting in place standard trauma triage criteria, to be used by all ambulance services and their EMTs statewide. Effective March 1, 2006, the enclosed trauma triage criteria will be the official statewide criteria for trauma triage. These criteria also appear on the Department's website, at the following link, <http://www.mass.gov/dph/oems/trauma/point.htm>. Regional point-of-entry plan trauma triage criteria will be updated accordingly. Please be sure to inform all your EMS personnel of this requirement.

Thank you for your cooperation and your continued assistance in providing quality EMS care to patients throughout the Commonwealth.